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Japanese patent document number 9-211499 is discussed on page 2 of the subject specification.

The cited documents were first cited in a communication from a foreign Patent Office in a counterpart foreign application. Specifically, these documents were cited in an International Search Report mailed August 9, 2004 (copy enclosed), from the European Patent Office (EPO) in corresponding international patent application number PCT/JP2004/005737. In addition, a Written Opinion of the International Searching Authority (EPO) is also enclosed.

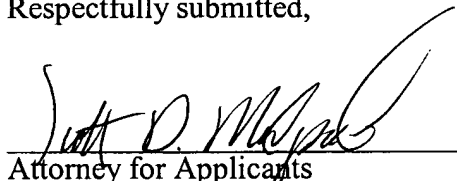
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